

LXXIV.—*On a new Genus of Cyprinoid Fishes from High Asia.* By Dr. ERICH ZUGMAYER, München.

AMONG the fishes collected by Professor Dr. G. Merzbacher in the Thian-Shan range during 1907 and 1908 there is a number of Cyprinoids hitherto undescribed and deserving generic rank.

*Aspiopsis merzbacheri*, gen. et sp. n.

D.  $\frac{3}{8}$ , P.  $\frac{1}{16}$ , V.  $\frac{1}{9}$ , A.  $\frac{3}{9}$ , C.  $\frac{17}{15}$ , ll. 71  $\frac{14}{7}$  73.

Body elongate and slightly compressed, its depth being contained  $5\frac{2}{3}$  times in the total length (including the caudal). Length of head  $4\frac{1}{7}$  in total length; caudal peduncle twice as long as high, its length being the same as that of the pectoral. Fins short, origin of dorsal very slightly behind that of ventrals, anal entirely behind dorsal. Mouth terminal, its cleft oblique; maxillary reaches to below front margin of eye, dental to below centre. Upper jaw protractile by  $\frac{2}{3}$  of diameter of orbit. Lower jaw without symphyseal knob or corresponding notch. Abdomen rounded; lateral line complete, slightly irregular in fore part, terminating in middle of caudal peduncle. Pharyngeal teeth in two series, 3—5—5—3, compressed and notched.

Colour bronzy on back, sides of head and body yellowish silvery, very finely scattered dark dots along the sides.

Length not exceeding 10 inches.

Sixteen specimens were caught in Manass River, west of Urumteli, on the north slopes of the Thian-Shan range, where the river enters into the plain.

LXXV.—*Description of a new Characid Fish from the Amazon.* By C. TATE REGAN, M.A.

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*Iguanodectes rachovii*, sp. n.

Depth of body nearly equal to length of head, about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in the length. Snout a little shorter than diameter of eye, which is equal to the length of postorbital part of head or to interorbital width. Jaws equal anteriorly; maxillary small,